

Abstract

A method of fixing vertebrae of a patient together at a surgical site includes the following steps:
inserting a first cannula (10) into the body (130) of
5 the patient; moving a first fastener (624) through the
cannula (10) and securing the first fastener (624) to a
first vertebrae (601); moving a second fastener (624)
through the cannula (10) and securing the second
fastener (624) to a second vertebrae (602); moving a
10 first fixation element (650) through the cannula (10);
and fixing the first fixation element (650) to the
first and second fasteners (624).